Doing Business with Europe

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Outline

- Why entering the European market
- Some ways to enter



Why the EU market

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- 1. Because it is the most profitable
- 2. Because it is the largest economy, most integrated with the US
- 3. Because it offers more opportunities to remain competitive

1. The most profitable market

- US affiliates earned \$213 billion in 2011,
 - -a record high,
 - almost half of the foreign earnings of US companies

It is a win-win game

- EU companies generate more jobs in America than in any other country.
- Some 15 million workers are employed by US companies in the EU and EU companies in US, across all sectors.
- Most foreigners working for EU companies outside the EU are US nationals, and vice versa.



2. The largest, integrated market

EU: largest economy in the world

12.6 trillion nominal GDP in 2011 (10.8 trillion in US), 500 million people (313 million is US).

Deepest investment relation in the world:

- \$ 10 trillion both ways, deep and balanced.
- EU and US invest together 3 times more than the rest of the world combined,
- receive more than half of the world's investments
- Transatlantic services trade figures are impressive, but the more important services linkages are actually in mutual flows of foreign direct investment.





...and the BRICs?

True, they are growing faster. But:

- Sales of US affiliates in Europe: double than sales to Asia-Pacific
- Affiliate sales in UK alone (622 bn USD) exceeded those in Latin America
- US investment in the BRICs since 2000 is less than in Ireland and just 7.2% of total US investment in Europe.
- Through the first nine months of 2011 US investment in the BRICs was just 6.1% of US investment in Europe.





3. It offers more opportunities to remain competitive

- Combination of mature and emerging economies in a highly integrated market
- Closest regulatory framework
- Highly educated workforce
- High research and innovation base
- Quality of life
- A Free Trade Area?



Some ways to enter

US-EU Match

Connecting US companies, universities, and federal labs with EU counterparts

- Posting of technology requests, and technology proactive matching
- Posting of business offers and requests
- Organizing brokerage and trade events.
- Regular information on opportunities (research calls for proposals, calls for tender)
- Training workshops

US-EU Match

Open to:

- -Businesses
- -Researchers
- Policy actors

www. US-EU-Match.com:

The EU Research Framework Cooperation Programme

- Financial support to international collaborative research projects: universities, industry, research centers
- 10 Selected areas: Health; Food, Agriculture, ICT, Nanosciences and technologies; Energy; Environment; Transport; Socio-economic; Space; Security
- Institutions in at least 3 EU States.
- Participants from industrialized countries expected to bring their own funding.
- Call for proposals: deadline: 10 July

Thank you very much for your attention.

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